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Office Action Summary	Examiner	Art Unit					
	Rip A. Lee	1713					
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Status							
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on	Responsive to communication(s) filed on						
2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) ☐ This	This action is FINAL . 2b)⊠ This action is non-final.						
	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is						
closed in accordance with the practice under E	closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposition of Claims							
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-57</u> is/are pending in the application.							
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.							
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.							
6) Claim(s) is/are rejected.							
·	Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
8) Claim(s) <u>1-57</u> are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.							
Application Papers							
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.							
10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) □ accepted or b) □ objected to by the Examiner.							
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).							
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).							
11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.							
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119							
 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. 							
Attachment(s)							
1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) Interview Summary (
 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) 	Paper No(s)/Mail Da 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Pa	ite atent Application (PTO-152)					
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Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

I. Claims 1-29, drawn to a catalyst composition and a method of making the catalyst

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composition, classified in class 502, subclass 103.

II. Claim 30, drawn to a method of polymerizing olefins, classified in class 526,

subclass 118.

III. Claims 31-57, drawn to a polymer of ethylene, classified in class 528, subclass

396.

2. Inventions I and II are related as product and process of use. The inventions can be

shown to be distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) the process for using the

product as claimed can be practiced with another materially different product or (2) the product

as claimed can be used in a materially different process of using that product (MPEP

§ 806.05(h)). In the instant case, the product as claimed can be used in a materially different

process of using that product such as olefin isomerization or alkene hydrogenation.

3. Inventions I and III are unrelated. Inventions are unrelated if it can be shown that they

are not disclosed as capable of use together and they have different modes of operation, different

functions, or different effects (MPEP § 806.04, MPEP § 808.01). In the instant case the different

inventions are not used together since one is a catalyst and one is a polymer. As such, the two

inventions have different functions, and clearly they have different effects.

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4. Inventions II and III are related as process of making and product made. The inventions

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are distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) that the process as claimed can

be used to make other and materially different product or (2) that the product as claimed can be

made by another and materially different process (MPEP § 806.05(f)). In the instant case, the

process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different product such as propylene

copolymer or styrene polymer. Also, the product as claimed can be made by another and

materially different process such as Ziegler Natta polymerization.

5. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a

separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination

purposes as indicated is proper.

6. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the search required

for Group I is not required for Group II or III, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is

proper.

7. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the search required

for Group II is not required for Group III, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is

proper.

8. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a

separate status in the art because of their recognized divergent subject matter, restriction for

examination purposes as indicated is proper.

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9. A telephone call was made to David E. Wigley on April 5, 2005 to request an oral

election to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an

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election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR

1.143).

10. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the

inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the

currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the

application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR

1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Rip A. Lee whose telephone number is (571)272-1104. The examiner can be reached on Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Wu, can be reached at (571)272-1114. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or

proceeding is assigned is (703)872-9306.

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April 5, 2005